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1. The Cement (Beton) Building Enterprise is located in Skoplje, near the railroad station. Approximately 2,000 persons, the majority of them "Shipetars" (persons of Albanian origin) were employed by the Enterprise as a whole. About 240 of these employees were attached to the Enterprise headquarters alone, and the rest were assigned to the various building sections. Because of the shortage of workers, frequently prisoners from Idrisovo were used as common laborers. The best skilled civilian worker received a wage of 22 dinars per hour.
2. The following individuals composed the staff of the Cement Building Enterprise:
  - a. Manager: Vanco Karajovanov, from Djevdjelijsa.
  - b. Technical Manager: a certain engineer named Isailo.
  - c. Dusan Petric, an engineer, was in charge of current construction.

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4. The following buildings were constructed by the Cement Building Enterprise:

- a. Ministry of the Interior and UDB offices on "Quay 13 November" in Skoplje. The building consisted of six wings, two of them, 50 meters in length; two, 45 meters in length; and two, 44 meters in length. The width of each wing was 12.8 meters. The building was composed of four wings, each one of which was four stories high, and two wings, each of which was three stories high. Three of the wings were completed in 1949, and the remaining three in 1950. The Ministry of the Interior occupied three wings. The offices of the UDB were located in the remaining three wings. In the basement of one UDB wing, there were rooms and prison cells, whose walls were three meters thick, and whose ceiling was one and one-half meters thick.
- b. A government tobacco factory-warehouse 40 meters long and 13 meters wide was completed in Skoplje in 1949.

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- c. In 1949, a 3-story gymnasium building, approximately 80 x 10 meters in size, was completed. This building faces the Iron Bridge in Skoplje.
- d. In 1949, three UDB ammunition warehouses, each about 20 meters long, 6 meters wide and 4 meters high, were completed. These were constructed in the hills four kilometers south of Gornje Lisioje.
- e. An electric power plant was constructed in Madjari (sic), about five kilometers from Skoplje.
- f. In 1949, the Titov Zavod foundry and workshop was completed at Madjari. Simple machines are constructed in this plant.
- g. In 1949, a workshop for the construction of truck bodies was completed in Madjari.
- h. A building, Faculty of Philosophy, on Babi (sic) near Skoplje, was completed in 1951.
- i. An industrial school, consisting of two 3-story buildings, was completed in Skoplje in 1950.
- j. A textile factory was constructed in Tetovo.
- k. A factory for the manufacture of concrete parts and pipes was constructed in Djordje Petrov.
- l. Housing for the employees of the Sar cement factory was constructed in the village of General Jankovic.
- m. The "Nicotine" Chemical Factory was constructed near the Skoplje airfield.
- n. In 1949, six villas were constructed near the village of Vodno. These villas were known as the "Lazar Kolisevski" and were for the use of the ministers and high-ranking officials [redacted] Later, other villas were constructed in Vodno.
- o. [redacted] a government building was under construction in Skoplje. This building will have three wings, however, so far, only one wing has been completed. [redacted]

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